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I was a primary care provider in Newport for 30 years. Our current health care system was, and still is, chaotic and punitive. In the 80's and 90's there were important "new" drugs developed that many of my patients could not afford; same now. There was the disruption of auto insurance fighting with primary insurance about who was responsible. There was delay in care due to "insurance approval" for x-rays and surgeries. Saddest issue was the dismissal from my practice of those who could not keep up with paying my bill!

I hope that the process of implementation of a state-wide universal health care system can proceed expeditiously!!! Universal Health care is long overdue.

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